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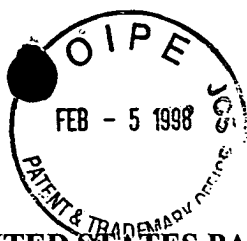
In regard to the above identified application,

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 - a) Information Disclosure Statement;
 - b) PTO Form 1449 and cited references;
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Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 - 1.99, the Applicant wishes to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. This Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with the continuing duty of candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56. Copies of the references cited below are enclosed. These references are also listed on the enclosed PTO Form 1449.

In the judgment of the undersigned, portions of the listed references may be material to the Examiner's consideration of the presently pending claims. This statement is not a representation that the listed references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. Section 102 or Section 103.

Applicants do not believe any fee is due with this submission. If this belief be in error and the Patent Office determines that the fee prescribed in the relevant portion of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97 is applicable, the undersigned attorney by his signature hereby authorizes any such fee to be debited from Deposit Account 13-2490.

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from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, or, to the undersigned's knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was any such information known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

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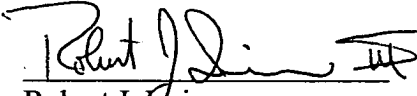
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